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HEAVY SCHEDULE FOR BASEBALL

Buff and Blue Will Play Ten Games, Including Contests with Cornell and Colgate

SEASON ENDS JUNE 3

With about forty-five candidates out for the team, including a strong nucleus left from last year, with the addition of much promising material from the Freshman Class, the outlook for baseball this season on the Hill seems very favorable. The schedule, which includes ten games, six of them out of town, is now complete. The team will play its opening contest at Rochester on Saturday, April 29. The last game of the season will take place when we meet Colgate on our home diamond, Saturday, June 3.

In a few days, so Manager Loveland states, practice will be held in the new Sage Athletic Building, weather permitting. Just now, the ground over which the hockey rink was constructed has not dried out sufficiently to warrant its being used for baseball practice. The new diamond, which is now in the process of construction on the land lying beyond the Athletic Field, is very near completion. This work was begun last spring and continued throughout part of the summer and fall. If the weather is favorable, the ground will be ready

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COLLEGE SMOKER FRIDAY NIGHT

Executive Council Presented New Plan for the Election of Undergraduate Managers of College Activities

A college smoker and meeting of the undergraduate body was held in Commons Hall Thursday evening, March 23. Practically the entire student body was present. Ice cream was served before the business meeting opened and while the recommendations for changes in the system of election of undergraduate managers was being read.

Yates, '23, a member of the executive council, presented a new plan for the election of undergraduate managers of college activities. The plan had been discussed in meetings of the Association for Undergraduate Activities of Hamilton College following morning chapel, and the plan presented by Mr. Yates was one formed from the various criticisms and suggestions made at and subsequent to these meetings.

The plan contained five different provisions. The first provision was that five undergraduate members of the executive council be elected instead of three, and those five to be elected by preferential voting. The next clause provided for the elimination of the most irksome duties of competitors for an assistant managership and the substitution of a system of examinations and various other methods to test the real managerial

ability of the competitors. The third part of the plan substituted the present system of election of managers by the undergraduate body to election by the executive council. By this system the manager presents nominations to the council in order of preference, the council to take into consideration the recommendations of the manager. The plan also originally permitted the letter or key men of the activity to be present and give their opinions upon the ability of the competitors.

In accordance with an agreement that the new plan be taken up clause by clause, Mr. R. J. R. Reeder, '22, moved that the competitors should not be eliminated from time to time as the new plan stipulated. Mr. C. Keane, '22, so amended the motion as to provide for the elimination of competitors by the managers as they saw fit. The amendment by Mr. Keane was carried and the motion as amended given a majority.

Taking up the matter of allowing the letter or key men to give their opinions of the fitness of the candidates at an election of managers, Mr. Keane moved that the nomination of candidates for managerships be restricted to the manager and executive council for decision. The motion was carried.

Mr. W. Spice, '22, made a motion to the effect that the present number of three undergraduate members of the executive council be maintained. The motion was carried. The motion

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MUSICAL CLUBS GIVE TWO SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCES

Oneonta and Oxford Audiences Greatly Pleased With Concerts—New Acts Prove Popular—"Eternal Triangle" and "Big Guns" Get Laughs—Trip a Financial Success.

An all-afternoon ride on the Southern New York Electric railway, a mad scramble for the Oneonta Theatre, the first concert, another ride—this time on a milk train special—a short but delightful visit to Sidney, ride No. 3 in a bus that was a good two sizes too small, a late arrival in Oxford, a still later concert, a blissful journey back to the Hill via the D. L. & W.—that is an account in a nutshell of what we venture to call the most eventful trip ever taken by Hamilton's Musical Clubs.

Leaving Clinton at two o'clock Friday afternoon the clubs reached Oneonta at 6:35. Here the men were taken to their several places of entertainment in the homes of alumni and friends of the College. The theatre, the largest in the city, was almost entirely filled by an audience of nearly 1000 that was enthusiastic in its reception of the various numbers on the program. This appearance showed a marked improvement over all previous ones this season. The specialty numbers were perhaps the best enjoyed. Dowdell, Bates and Macey scored a decided hit as the "Eternal Tri-

angle" of young stage hands. Even an uninitiated audience appreciated the "Faculty Blues". The "Big Guns", Lantry, Fitch, Bates and Bingham "got away strong," to put it mildly. In a pleasing contrast with the humor and characterization of these two snappy numbers was the appearance of the Glee Quartet, composed of Messrs. Burns, Macey, Moore and Thompson. Quiet perfection of harmony with a little old-time "barber-shop" here and there called forth an appreciative response from the audience. These four men were at their best in "Annie Laurie."

Thompson's tenor solos were rendered with his usual grace and quality of tone. These selections were easily among the most attractive features of the concert. Carl Riedel gave a very pleasing interpretation of the "Song of India" and the size of the theatre lent additional charm to his ordinarily fine tone.

The ensemble numbers of the Glee and Instrumental Clubs were rendered in a manner that speaks well for the training that both clubs have re-

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George C. Morehouse, Jr., '23.

The Class of 1926.

Sub-Freshman Day, when Hamilton College opens up its doors and entertains the prospective class of 1926 made up of the high school men of this and neighboring states, is only a short time away. It is announced that there will be a larger number of visitors on the Hill for that day than ever before. But this is no reason why we shouldn't get many more good men.

Let us endeavor to make this day one that will bring enjoyment to the members of the college as well as our guests. We can accomplish this by each one working hard to bring on the finest body of men that we are in a position to secure. Think back to our prep school and high school days and bring them on, and show them just exactly what it means to come to Hamilton. The success of the day depends upon the interest manifested by the undergraduates. If we are interested in the people who are coming on, they surely will become interested in us and what we represent. The efforts of the men in college to secure new Freshmen are worth more than all the literature printed about the college. Personal invitations add to the cordiality of written invitations, no matter how cordial the latter may be. Invite those you are personally interested in and know that they would make good material for Hamilton in the future. Don't just bring on numbers but quality; that goes to make up the strong classes that we all wish.

Interest the Sub-Freshmen whom you know in the life of a Hamiltonian. Sub-Freshman Day is important, for it guarantees the best to the college, if the finest and most sought-after of the material enjoy themselves

while our guests for the brief sojourn in the spring.

G. C. M., Jr.

Danger in Numbers.

Hamilton is facing a difficult and dangerous situation. For several years she has been growing rapidly. This growth has been evidenced in the enrolment records, and also to a much greater extent in the so-called outside or extra-curricular activities. Scarcely a year has passed, in the knowledge of the present college generation at least, but some new society, some new athletic activity, some new publication has appeared on the Hill.

With this growth in the number of activities has come no increased power of centralization, no strengthening coordination—a factor that is vitally necessary.

That is the proposition that Hamilton faces. Either this coordination must be affected, or a steady weakening of the independent units will result.

We believe that the stage is set for the entrance of the graduate manager. The creation of that office would supply the coordinating influence, and it would do more than that—it would be a strong step toward the solution of the publicity question.

The question is before us: coordination or deterioration? The answer is: a graduate manager.

K. B. T.

TWO PLAYS PRESENTED

Class in Dramatic Interpretation Does Creditable Work

The class in dramatic interpretation under the direction of Professor Fancher presented two short plays in the Little Theater last Wednesday evening.

The first presentation was Maeterlinck's "The Miracle of St. Anthony", a play of two acts. Like most of Maeterlinck's plays, the theme of the story could be applied to almost any country or race, and offered a whimsical satire on modern society. Blessed Saint Anthony, the leading character of the play, enters a household in which the members are insincerely mourning the death of a rich relative. His entry is treated as being preposterous by the head of the family, who refuses to grant permission to Saint Anthony to raise the deceased from the dead. After much discussion, the request of the Saint is granted and the family and guests are astounded when the miracle is worked. The inopportune resurrection of the dear departed causes much distress in the household which feigns appreciation at the return of the deceased. The police are finally summoned to bear away the Saint. Loomis portrayed the part of Saint Anthony very creditably and was well supported by the rest of the cast.

The second play of the evening was Lord Dunsany's pleasing one-act comedy "The Lost Silk Hat." Much amusement was afforded to the audience by an Englishman's efforts to regain a hat he neglected to bring from the house of his sweetheart with whom he had just quarrelled. Langtry, as the Poet, did commendable work, and Chase, the Caller, also deserves credit for his impersonation.

The scenery and settings were arranged by the members of the cast. Professor Fancher's skillful coaching insured the success of the presentations.

The cast follows:

The Miracle of Saint Anthony: Virginia, Fenn; Saint Anthony, Loomis; Gustavus, Lanowitz; Joseph, Morris; A Guest, Langtry; Achilles, Marlow; The Pastor, Hall; The Doctor, Kaiser; Hortensia, Morehouse; A Police Sergeant, Chase; A Police Lieutenant, Doane.

The Lost Silk Hat: Caller, Chase;

Laborer, Burns; Clerk, Morehouse; Policeman, Doane; Poet, Langtry.

APRIL FOOLS' NUMBER OF THE GABOON

Next Issue to Make Appearance April First

The next issue of the Royal Gaboon will appear April First and will take the form of an April Fool's number. The editors of the publication have been working especially hard on this issue and the magazine is expected to be better than any yet put out. There will be at least one-third more cuts in this issue than in any previous one, and the editor states that the number of jokes has been increased.

The Royal Gaboon has attracted considerable attention outside of Hamilton College. A large number of college humorous publications besides Life and Judge have been publishing jokes clipped from the Gaboon. The coming issue with an increase of illustrations and jokes will be well worth buying to send to a friend.

Inasmuch as there is no especial attraction on the Hill April First, as house parties or football games, the undergraduate body is urged to purchase the Gaboon in order to finance the publication which is more widely read and consequently does more to advertise the college than any other. The Gaboon will be on sale at the store only and at least five hundred copies must be sold on the Hill to undergraduate members in order to finance the issue. The magazine will be on sale at newstands in Utica, but the only place where a copy can be secured on the Hill is at the college store.

The undergraduate body voted by a large majority to retain the publications and the Gaboon received a large number of favorable comments in the balloting. The popularity of the magazine evidenced by the vote taken is an assurance that the Gaboon is appreciated. The undergraduate body should do all in its power to see that this next issue is a success financially. The board has done all possible to make the issue a success editorially.

The Girls' issue of the Royal Gaboon will appear at Spring House Party. This issue is made up of work done entirely by members of the fair sex and an abundance of material is needed. If any of the fellows, especially the Freshmen who, perhaps, have not heard of this before, know any "Women" who are adept in the art of drawing or writing, they can drop them a line telling them of it. Even if their work is not accepted, their efforts will be greatly appreciated.

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for the use of the squad on or before the first of May. Meanwhile daily practice in batting, bunting, and the fielding of grounders is being held in the Soper Gymnasium, under the direction of Coach Prettyman. The battery candidates are also being given special attention by the Coach and Capt. Davis.

As a nucleus for this season's team, there is left Capt. Davis, varsity catcher of last year; Carl Warren, who pitched a no-hit game against Union here last year; Hunter and Mulehy, varsity men who play second base or shortstop; and Meehan, who played part of the season at third last year. Prospects for the battery look promising, for Loomis, Perry, Phelps, and Schultz were all on last year's squad of hurlers, while Morris and Towne are showing up well from the Freshman Class. For catchers, there are Capt. Davis, Yule, and J. Carusone. The first base position has no candidates left from last year, though Perry, Pritchard, and Hatch are trying to fill it. Hatch and Williams, of the Freshmen, are showing up well in infield practice. There are no last year's veterans left for the outfield, and nothing can be said about it until outdoor practice begins.

COLLEGE SMOKER FRIDAY NIGHT

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was made and carried that the present system of voting for undergraduate members of the executive council be continued. This motion defeated the plan of election by preferential voting.

Mr. Keane moved that the constitution be amended to allow members of the undergraduate body to make nominations from the floor in the council's election of its graduate members. After some discussion the amendment was carried. The meeting was then adjourned.

TENNIS TEAM MEETS

Twenty men have been practicing with the tennis team in the gym for the past two weeks. The work so far has been directed with a view toward conditioning the men, besides giving them practice in lobbing.

Captain Getman and Acebron are the only regular members of last season's team who remain. Langtry and Fitzgerald were members of last year's squad and have been practicing again this year. Some other valuable material from the Sophomore and Freshmen classes has turned out.

The team will be coached this year by George H. Sicard, '06.

SENIOR BANQUET THURSDAY

The Senior Class will hold a banquet at the Hotel Utica on Thursday evening, March 30th, at 7:00 o'clock. Arrangements for the banquet have been made by a committee composed of R. G. Reeder, chairman, Brown, Eckler, Hallock, and Pitkin. Macey is to be toastmaster and speeches will be delivered by Davis, president of the class, Howland, Pope, and Kelly.

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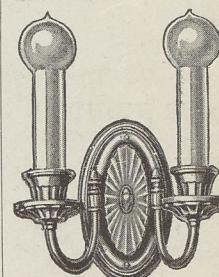
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He was in 1765-1770 a selectman of Boston and a member of the general court. With Samuel Adams he led the Massachusetts Whigs, and only escaped capture at Lexington and Concord by virtue of the valiant fight by the Minute Men on the "Nineteenth of April in '75."

John Hancock was subsequently known in various positions: as President of the Continental Congress, as Major-General of the Massachusetts military forces, as President of the Constitutional Convention. He died at Quincy, Massachusetts, October eighth, 1793.

The historical position of John Hancock is unique in State and Nation. He wielded great political influence but was always liberal and public-spirited. His name is most prominent as a Whig leader during the American Revolution in such events as the Boston Massacre, the Boston Tea Party and the battles of Lexington and Concord.

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Rochester, R. P. I., Union and Hamilton to Join—Dr. Wood Chairman

Hamilton College will not enter into the proposed New York State Athletic Conference, otherwise known as "New York's Little Ten." The Conference, which would be modeled after similar existing conferences in the West, would be composed of the smaller colleges of the state such as Hamilton, Union, Alfred, Hobart, Rochester, Clarkson Tech, Buffalo, Rensselaer, and St. Stevens.

Dr. Frank H. Wood, president of the Undergraduate Activities Association, said that although Hamilton had been invited to participate, it had been decided not to accept the invitation. The principal reason for this action, he said, was that Hamilton since two years ago has been working on about the same idea with several colleges more nearly its own type, and more closely located. Dr. Wood stated that although the "New York Athletic Conference" idea was an excellent one, and one from which much mutual benefit probably could be derived, still Hamilton was looking to the East rather than to the West for its athletic contests. Mr. Prettyman holds practically the same views on the matter.

Dr. Wood explained that "the idea" which Hamilton had been working on was virtually a union between Rochester, R. P. I., Union, and Hamilton. In fact two conferences of the proposed union already have been held in years past. At the conference held last spring, a constitution was proposed and more definite plans gone into. Rochester in particular urged that the union, which was generally to be known as the New York State Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, should be formed immediately. All those who attended the last conference were well inclined toward the movement. It is believed that something started on a smaller scale would be more fruitful.

The athletic administrations of the institutions represented in the Conference will be bound by all of its actions with the reservation that each faculty committee shall reserve the right to reject any specific measure adopted by the Conference within a given time. Any rejected measure shall be reconsidered by the Conference and if sustained by a two-thirds vote of the whole Conference, shall become binding. Further rejection of the measure will constitute withdrawal from the Conference.

The object of the Conference will be the proper regulation of intercollegiate athletics among members. The specific aims are: to maintain athletic activities on an ethical plane in keeping with the dignity and high purpose of education, and to encourage a high standard of scholarship among athletes; to encourage the spirit of amateurism and to discourage technical professionalism; to encourage the highest ideals of proper and sportsmanlike conduct on the part of the contestants, the coaches, their assistants, and the student bodies, and to encourage generous treatment of visiting teams; to secure and maintain faculty supervision of athletic administration and finance in the colleges of the Conference; to establish and enforce uniform eligibility rules for participants in intercollegiate athletics; and to secure satisfactory officials for athletic contests.

At the present time Hamilton has a migratory rule which is true only in hockey where there is also a one year rule. It is Dr. Wood's belief that we should have migratory rule.

The constitution also states that any college in New York State which adopts and observes the rules of the

Conference and makes application for admission, shall be eligible to membership.

Dr. Wood was elected chairman of the Conference, and Professor Carmer of the University of Rochester was elected secretary. It has been pointed out, however, that all of the plans of the Conference are of a purely preliminary character, and no definite organization has as yet been formed. That the plans are to be realized in the immediate future is the belief of Dr. Wood.

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Alumni News

—David Aldrich, '16, spent a few days on the Hill recently.

—C. Russell Morris, '16, is now living at 385 Beard Av., Buffalo, N. Y.

—Mr. Lynnot B. Root, '64, is now living at 178 Bay 23rd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

—The address of Jansen Woods, '75, is 75 Credit Suisse, Geneva, Switzerland.

—Arthur B. Maynard, '06, is now living at 1100 Missouri Road, Los Angeles, Calif.

—John D. Van Kernen, '21, is now taking a law course at the Columbia Law School.

—George H. Minor, '90, is the Vice-President and Secretary of the Erie Railroad Company.

—Clemens J. Franks, '98, formerly of Seattle, Wash., is now living at 315 West 24th St., New York City.

—George S. Hastings, '16, is the representative of the Philadelphia Battery Co. at New Orleans, La.

—Thatcher McKennan, '16, is in the office of Chas. B. VanValen, Inc., at 110 William St., New York City.

—Mr. James A. Minor, '4, has been appointed General Land and Tax Agent for the Erie Railroad Company in the place of H. Murray Andrews, '99, who died recently. His office is at 50 Church St., New York.

—Rev. Gilbert Reid, '79, has recently moved from Shanghai to Peking. His address is at 1 Chien Chang Hutung, East Imperial City, Peking, China.

—Peter W. Daniels, '16, is head of the branch office of the Bearing Service Co. in Newark, N. J., and may be addressed at 458 Broad St., Newark, N. J.

—A letter from Marco Nikolas Poppoff, '90, states that he is sub-agent for the American Bible Society in Sofia, Bulgaria. His address is Patriarch Eftimi 77, Sofia.

—Hudson Covert, '16, who has been employed by the Quaker Oats Co. for the past three years, has now entered the employ of the Gary Lumber Company at Gary, Ind.

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—Elmer Q. Oliphant former captain and star halfback on the West Point football eleven and at present track coach at the military academy, may succeed B. Russell Murphy as the physical director of Union College, according to reports current in sporting circles at Schenectady. In addition to being one of the greatest football players ever developed at West Point, Oliphant was also a star on the track team and his acquisition to the athletic department of Union is looked upon with favor by the Garnet undergraduates, alumni, and friends. Coach Murphy has handed in his resignation to the faculty of the college, and it will take effect in August.

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ceived. The addition of Lee S. Roberts' "Mammy's Lullaby" to the repertoire of the Glee Club is a decided step forward. It was sung well at both concerts. The latest popular hits were delightfully played by the Instrumental Clubs with a variety of style that completely did away with the tendency toward monotony that so often characterizes selections of this sort.

At the close of the concert several Hamilton alumni in the audience came to the stage and sang "Carissima." Edwin R. Moore, '17, d. s. highest commendation for his efforts to make the concert the success that it was. The Oneonta Community Athletic Association, under whose auspices the clubs appeared, realized a considerable profit from the concert.

In order to reach Oxford in convenient season the men left Oneonta early Saturday afternoon by special permission on the 2 o'clock milk train. The train was late however, and as a result the Hamilton College Musical Clubs were apparently stranded in Sidney through a failure to make connections. A bus was secured for the journey of some thirty miles to Oxford. The bus ride was a "time that tried men's souls." For something like an hour and a half the men were fitted into that vehicle like the blocks in a picture puzzle. Oxford came in sight about the time that the concert was scheduled to start. Fortunately the men had dressed for the concert before leaving Sidney and after a short delay it was given in the High School auditorium before an audience that filled the room and extended out into the hallways. Essentially the program was the same as that given in Oneonta the night before, and it was fully as successful. Oxford, although not a very large town, turned out in full force to hear the concert and the hearty applause told that every number on the program met the unqualified approval of the audience. Oxford High School, which was responsible for the appearance of the clubs at that place, has a fine chorus of over fifty voices. The instructor of this chorus was much pleased with the performance of the men on the clubs and stated that the singing of the Glee Club would prove to be an inspiration to her charges.

A large share of the credit for the success of the trip goes to Leaders Langtry and Burns, both of whom have been tireless in their efforts to make it reflect credit on the College. Manager George is to be commended for the efficient manner in which he conducted the business end of the trip. Despite a multitude of unforeseen hindrances that made the situation seem hopeless at times he did his work ably and well.

The following men composed the personnel of the clubs on the trip: 1922: George, Burns, Miller, Hallock, Bland, Macey, Morris; 1923: Langtry, Palmer, Fitch, McGiffin, North, Gould; 1924: Bates, Moore, Dowdell, A. Allison, Phelps, Lent, F. B. Hastings, Riedel, Brush, Holmes, Pritchard, Chidester, Culver, Becker; 1925: Thompson, Towne, Mahannah, Bingham, Brady, Riffe, H. H. Hastings.

The Musical Clubs are to make two more appearances this week. Tomorrow night they will give the annual Utica concert in the Hotel Utica. On Friday night they will go to Waterville, and on April 7th they will appear in Rome.

—John W. Calder, ex-'14, is the father of a son, born a short time ago, which has been named John C. Calder.

—W. Ralph Floyd, ex-'22, of Utica, has been appointed First Lieutenant of Enigneers by Gov. Nathan L. Miller.

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